- 1 presentation by coordinating each computer display with the
- 2 display of other computers. While the prior art does provide
- 3 for slide show presentations or video presentations, prior art
- 4 programs do not provide a software means for simultaneously
- 5 starting and operating all computers in a computer system
- 6 whereby each computer may display different images. While
- 7 images can be sent over a networked system, there is a time lag
- 8 in transmission in a networked system due to the volume of data
- 9 in each image. Combat video simulations may require thousands
- ${f 0}$  of images to be displayed within a short time period and cause a

data flow volume that would tend to drag performance of a

presentation down.

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Patents that show attempts to solve the above and other related problems are as follows:

U.S. Patent No. 5,488,385, issued January 30, 1996, to

Singhal et al., discloses that video information is

simultaneously generated for presentation on multiple displays

- 18 by a display system including a video memory having a plurality
- 19 of addressable storage locations, each storage location
- 20 providing for the storage of data representing a component of an
- 21 independent displayable image and a video controller providing a
- 22 plurality of output display control and data signals connectable
- 23 to a respective plurality of video displays. The video

- 1 controller accesses the video memory in a predetermined
- 2 addressing pattern so as to access a sequence of the components
- 3 corresponding to a plurality of the independent displayable
- 4 images. The video controller, in turn, generates the plurality
- 5 of output display control and data signals whereby the sequence
- 6 of the components provided by way of each of the plurality of
- 7 the output display control and data signals corresponds to a
- 8 respective one of the independent displayable images.

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- U.S. Patent No. 5,606,336, issued February 25, 1997, to Yuki discloses that a display control apparatus permits display by a single display control apparatus on a plurality of display devices which receive image data by an internal synchronization signal. The display control apparatus outputs input image data to a plurality of display devices and includes a control circuit for selecting the longest one of the internal synchronization signals from the display devices and a unit for supplying the image data to the display devices in synchronism with the selected synchronization signal.
- 19 U.S. Patent No. 5,959,686, issued September 28, 1999, to
- 20 Jeong discloses an apparatus and a method for controlling a
- 21 plurality of sub monitors in a video communication system in
- 22 which the same signal from a host computer or a video tape
- 23 recording/reproducing device is displayed on screens of the sub

1 monitors and a main monitor to which the sub monitors are

2 connected in series. The main monitor generates control data in

3 response to an external sub monitor control signal to set up a

desired one of the sub monitors. A plurality of communication 4

5 devices are included respectively in the sub monitors, for

6 serially transferring the control data from the main monitor to

7 the sub monitors and response data from the sub monitors to the

8 main monitor. A plurality of microcomputers are connected

respectively to the communication devices, for setting up a 9 10 11 12 13

corresponding one of the sub monitors in response to the control

data from the main monitor when the control data from the main

monitor is for the control of the corresponding sub monitor and

transferring the control data from the main monitor to the

subsequent sub monitor when the control data from the main

monitor is not for the control of the corresponding sub monitor.

According to the present invention, the main monitor can control

the plurality of sub monitors using the communication devices

therein and a program for the control thereof. 18

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19 U.S. Patent No. 5,969,696, issued October 19, 1999, to

20 Stoye discloses an invention providing an interface for a

computer system that can drive several different display

22 The interface of the invention consists of power

23 signals, ground signals, sense signals, programmable signals,